Samples lifted by Department of Prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi

2401. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether during the special drive in October, 1992 samples of Confectionary from Azad Market, Dry fruits from Khari Baoli and samples from Biscuits manufacturers were lifted by the Department of prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi Administration only from the selected firms as specified by Director (PFA) ;

(b) if not, the number of firms dealing in confectionary and Dry fruits in Azad Market, Khari Baoli area, Connaught Place and the number of biscuit manufactures in Delhi and the number of firms from where samples of such items lifted;

(c) the reasons for not lifting samples from maximum shops in the respective areas; and

(d) whether Government propose to conduct an enquiry into the matter and if so, by when ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (d) As per the information made available by the Delhi Administration during the special drive in October, 1992 on the occasion of Diwali, the Department of Prevention of Food Adulteratoin, Delhi, lifted some samples of confectionary and Biscuits also in addition to lifting of samples from sweet shops.

Emphasis was on lifting the samples of sweets which are normally consumed by the public at the time of Diwali and accordingly sweet shops were extensively covered during the said drive.

All confectionary, biscuit manufacturers or even sweet vendors manufacturers could not be covered due to limited manpower and limited period of drive.

Food Samples taken from Hyatt Regency

2402. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the samples of food articles were lifted by the Department of prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi Administration, Delhi recently from Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bhikaji Came Place. New Dlehi;

(b) if so, the results of the test on the samples and the details of the action proposed to be taken on the results of the samples ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) and (b) As per the information made available by the Delhi Administration, four samples of food articles were lifted by the Department of Prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi Administration, Delhi, from Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Delhi. Two samples have been declared conforming to the standards. However, in other two samples, contravention has been observed in respect of statutory labelling provisions required on packages, though these have been other-wise found to be conforming to the prescribed standards.

Lifting of Samples of Raw Material in Delhi

2403. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 267 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th November, 1992 and state :

(a) whether the samples of raw material were lifted from wholesellers/manufacturers of raw materials during the special raids in October, 1992; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) and (b) As per the information made available by Delhi Administration, the Department of Prevention of Food Adulteration, Delhi